



NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher and the United States Postal Inspection Service announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: The Honorable Laurie Smith Camp sentenced Wendy Stubblefield to 18 months imprisonment following her conviction for wire fraud. Stubblefield was charged by federal grand jury of committing wire fraud against a former boyfriend. For a 16 month period beginning on April 4, 2004, and continuing through July 14, 2005, Stubblefield fraudulently withdrew funds from the retirement account of her former boyfriend without his knowledge or consent. Stubblefield carried out her scheme by submitting a request for withdrawals to the retirement account custodian, Travelers Life and Annuity. Stubblefield's scheme included directing Travelers to send the proceeds addressed to the boyfriend but directed to Stubblefield's place of employment. Upon receipt of a check for the funds, Stubblefield would then deposit the check into her personal credit union account to which she had added the boyfriend's name, again without his knowledge or authority. Stubblefield received approximately \$174,615.56 in funds from Travelers.

Name of Defendant: Wendy Stubblefield

AKA:

Age: 50

City of residence: LaVergne, TN

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty) 18:1343-wire fraud, 20 yrs imprisonment/ \$250,000 fine/ 5 yrs TSR / \$100 SA

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Omaha, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: \$174,615.56

Others Charged in Same Scheme: N/A

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: Beginning on April 4, 2004, continuing through July 14, 2005

Federal Arrest Date: July 15, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: June 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: July 15, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): Plead guilty on 11/06/2008

Sentencing Date: January 26, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: F.A. Gossett III

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Released from Custody

In Continuous Custody Since:

Assigned District Court Judge: Laurie Smith Camp

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